

Leonard. Even after my kids graduated, I would catch as many games as I could. I even had the opportunity to attend a celebration for the Cyclones after they won one of their many State championships.

From my visits to Sacred Heart-Griffin, it was evident that Coach Leonard's impressive 419-81 record reflects his deep passion for the sport and tireless dedication to his athletes. If you ask Coach Leonard, he would tell you that he has not worked a day in his life because he loved what he did. And his impact extended well beyond the gridiron.

Coach Leonard did not just coach football; he coached character. His players have gone on to become All-Americans, college football players, and even NFL stars. But Ken knew that life was more than tackles and touchdowns. He believed that what mattered more than developing players was developing good citizens, and he spent as much time in the classroom and chapel as he did on the field and in the weight room.

His coaching style also inspired a legacy. My former staff member's son, Brendan Daly, played for Coach Leonard at Sacred Heart-Griffin. After playing and coaching collegiate football, Brendan joined the ranks of NFL coaches—going onto win three Super Bowl championships with the New England Patriots and another with the Kansas City Chiefs.

Ken's own son, Derek, now coaches at Rochester High School in Rochester, IL, and has already won State championships of his own—sometimes even facing off against his dad. When Ken started coaching against Derek, Ken and I would exchange letters recounting the familial showdowns. Now, it is possible that Derek may one day surpass his Dad's record. And I know Ken will be proud as ever when that day comes.

Despite his long record of accomplishments, Coach Leonard would be the last to take credit for his team's success on the field. Luckily many of his friends and colleagues in the Sacred Heart-Griffin community will be the first to give him the credit he deserves. It is rare for stadiums to be named after people during their lifetime, but in 2017, Sacred Heart-Griffin officials surprised Coach Leonard with a ceremony and announcement that the turf field would, from that point forward, be known as Ken Leonard Field. Standing together with the community and his wife, Liz, in the final year of her life, Coach Ken Leonard was speechless. And today, we in Illinois are thankful.

Ken Leonard is a reminder that committing yourself to what you love will shine a light for those around you. It is an honor to know Ken, as he is an inspiration to so many.

After many accomplishments, including being named the two-time National Coach of the Year and inducted into the Illinois Football Coaches Hall of

Fame, Ken Leonard will retire from coaching Sacred Heart-Griffin's football team on December 31, 2022. In true Ken Leonard fashion, he ended his career by coaching the Cyclones to defeat New Lenox Providence Catholic 44-20 and bring home their sixth State championship.

It is with great pride that I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Coach Ken Leonard. I offer my best wishes and congratulations to both Ken and his family on this important milestone.

TRIBUTE TO MAJOR DUSTIN MONDLOCH

Mr. KING. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize MAJ Dustin Mondloch, U.S. Army, for his outstanding work on behalf of the people of Maine and the Nation as a 2022 Department of Defense Legislative Fellow serving in my Washington, DC, office. Over the past year, Dustin has been integral in shaping my foreign policy and defense priorities. He helped secure a number of provisions in the Fiscal Year 2023 National Defense Authorization Act—FY23 NDAA—that will make our country stronger and safer. Dustin led my staff in orchestrating important appropriations for the Department of Defense, Department of State, Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Coast Guard, and the Office of National Drug Control Policy. His contributions—both to office morale and to our collective work product—are emblematic of his good character, competence, and strong work ethic.

Throughout his tenure in my office, Dustin demonstrated a level of professionalism and hard work I have come to expect—but not take for granted—from Department of Defense Legislative Fellows. Indeed, he follows a long line of accomplished U.S. Navy and Marine Corps officers who have made impactful contributions to my office and to U.S. national security policy. He distinguished himself as the first Army officer to serve in my office, setting a high bar and providing invaluable advice and insights personally to me. Over the course of the year, Dustin prepared and advised me on wide ranging and complex matters under consideration before the Senate Armed Services Committee. He brought his space expertise to assist me in the Strategic Forces Subcommittee briefings and deliberations, that resulted in important funding authorizations and legislation. Dustin's servant leadership showed in his work with constituents and while securing legislation to address Active Duty and veteran suicide. His attention to detail became apparent as he assisted me in dissecting, literally, thousands of pages of the Abbey Gate inspector general investigation. Further, he authored sections of report language, including one of my top concerns regarding the will to fight analysis of foreign militaries by our national security community. In addition,

he became my go-to lead for monitoring the horrific war in Ukraine, providing clear-headed and thoughtful analysis, and liaised with representatives from the White House, State Department, and Department of Defense to convey my positions and concerns. His candor and honest assessments provided critical insights during this fraught time in U.S. history, and our Nation is better because of it.

On behalf of my colleagues and the U.S. Congress, I thank Dustin for his dedicated service to my staff, the State of Maine, the U.S. Army, and the Nation. Part of what makes the U.S. military the greatest in the history of the world is that servicemembers like Dustin dedicate their lives to service and sacrifice for their country. Major Mondloch does not do it alone, so I also acknowledge the support of his family—his wife Danielle, his son Cole, and his daughter Lennox. I wish them all the best on what I know is a bright future.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO BILL COTTER

• Mrs. HYDE-SMITH. Mr. President, I am pleased to commend Mr. Bill Cotter for his service and contributions to the State of Mississippi in his 23 years of service with the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission.

Bill is retiring as CEO, but his record of leadership with the commission extends well beyond his latest role. In addition to CEO, Bill has served as the director of Stennis International Airport, as well as the chief operations officer for the facility as a whole, which includes the airport, its surrounding commercial property, and the Port Bienville Industrial Park, located on the Pearl River in southwest Mississippi.

While advancing into greater positions of responsibility, Bill's guidance helped the Hancock Port and Harbor Commission meet challenges head-on and achieve enormous success. As airport director, Bill led Stennis Airport's recovery from Hurricane Katrina, and he coordinated the tasks necessary for transitioning the airfield into a disaster response staging area during the BP Deepwater Horizon crisis.

Bill's contributions to the agency are also felt through his project management undertakings. Since 2005, Bill has overseen nearly \$40 million in capital improvements at Stennis International Airport, which have proved invaluable in enabling the facility to serve as a resource in meeting the aviation needs of both the military, businesses, and industry.

The Port and Harbor Commission's maritime business has also thrived under Bill's leadership. During his tenure as chief operating officer, existing docks at Port Bienville were refurbished and improved, and construction is underway on a new 600-foot dock.